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1. ACQUISITION OF DATA BY ERTS-1 NO LONGER POSSIBLE OVER AFGHANISTAN OWING TO MALFUNCTIONING TAPE RECORDER. DATA ACQUISITION LIMITED TO RANGE OF DIRECT RECEIVING STATIONS IN WESTERN HEMISPHERE. PROBABLE NO ADDITIONAL ERTS DATA WILL BE AVAILABLE UNTIL AFTER LAUNCH OF ERTS- B, WHICH NOW POSTPONED UNTIL EARLY 1976. IN VIEW OF THIS REMOTE SENSING CENSUS PROJECT SHOULD PROCEED INITIALLY, IF GOA CONCURS, ON BASIS OF PREVIOUSLY ACQUIRED DATA. THIS INVENTORY DATA SHOULD PROVIDE BASIS FOR SOLID PROGRESS PENDING RECEIPT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DATA LATER FROM ERTS- B. WE HOPE GOA WILL BE ABLE TO CONCLUDE PROAG ON BASIS ABOVE CONSIDERATIONS.

2- ERTS IS AN OPEN, UNCLASSIFIED, EXPERIMENTAL SPACE PROGRAM, WHOSE PURPOSES AND CAPABILITIES HAVE BEEN WELL PUBLICIZED IN UN. PRESIDENT OFFERED MAKE BENEFITS THIS EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM AVAILABLE TO ALL NATIONS IN HIS SPEECH BEFORE UNGA IN SEPTEMBER 1969. THE PRESIDENT'S OFFER WAS WARMLY RECEIVED, AND 37 FOREIGN NATIONS AND TWO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS ARE PBOR LEADERS ARE ALREADY IN POLITICS OR ARE IN A POSITION TO MOVE INTO IT AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME. THOUGH PERSONS FROM THE OTHER CATEGORIES ARE LESS LIKELY TO PARTICIPATE DIRECTLY IN POLITICS, THEY ARE IN POSITIONS OF VARYING DEGREES OF STRENGTH TO INFLUENCE POLITICAL LEADERS.

C. ALL CATEGORIES ARE EXPECTED TO BE INFLUENCED TO SOME EXTENT BY A GROWING CONSCIOUSNESS OF NATIONALISM AND " SELF- RELIANCE ."

II. OBJECTIVES.

THE " OBJECTIVES" " INFLUENCE ATTITUDES ON SPECIFIC US INTERESTS" AND " FOSTER CLIMATE CONDUCIVE TO BILATERAL TRADE AND US INVEST- MENTS IN FUTURE YEARS" ARE THE BASIC " OBJECTIVES" IN THE OVER- ALL US PROGRAM IN JAMAICA. THE REMAINDER OF THE ITEMS LISTED AS " OBJECTIVES" ARE MEANS WHICH, IF ACHIEVED, SHOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE ATTAINMENT OF THE BASIC US OBJECTIVES , OR, AS STATED IN THE CASP, " INTERESTS." THE COUNTRY TEAM WOULD ASSIGN ROU- GHLY EQUAL EMPHASIS AND WIEGHT THEREFORE, TO THE REMAINDER OF THE ITEMS.

III. RESOURCES.

- A. USIA CULTURAL AND INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMMING - 30 PERCENT
- CU SHORT TERM AMERICAN GRANTEES - 20 PERCENT
- CU INTERNATIONAL VISITOR TRAVEL GRANTS - 20 PERCENT
- CU ACADEMIC GRANTS - 15 PERCENT
- AID TRAINING PROGRAM - 10 PERCENT
- MILITARY TRAINING PROGRAMS - 5 PERCENT

PEACE CORPS: THE PEACE CORPS IS PROBABLY THE ELEMENT OF THE MISSION MOST IN CONTACT WITH YOUTH ON A DAY- TO- DAY BASIS. THE PROGRAM, HOWEVER, EMPHASIZES EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT RATHER THAN CANTACT WITH SPECIFIC POTENTIAL LEADERS. IT DOES PROVIDE SKILLS AND TRAINING WHICH ARE IN SHORT SUPPLY AND CONTRIBUTES TO THE OVERALL RAISING OF SKILL LEVELS IN JAMAICAGY
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IV. A. THE COUNTRY TEAM WOULD ASSIGN A MEDIUM LEVEL OF IMPORTANCE TO YOUTH.

B. YOUTH, PER SE, IS NOT AN ORGANIZED AND COHESIVE FORCE IN JAMAICA LIFE. RATHER, INDIVIDUALS ATTAIN POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP AND IMPORTANCE BASED ON " MERIT." IT IS NOT, THEREFORE, AS IMPORTANT AS IT MIGHT BE IN AREAS WHERE MOBILITY IS RESTRICTED OR WHERE YOUTH IS BETTER ORGANIZED.

C. THE EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT SPECIFIC EMBASSY RESOURCES CAN OR SHOULD BE ALLOCATED TO YOUTH. AS NOTED EARLIER, YOUTH IS INTEGRATED WELL INTO THE JAMAICAN SOCIETY AND IS INVOLVED IN EVERY ASPECT OF THE MISSION PROGRAMS.
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